prawn farming in three east-coast States including Orissa, after their visit to India during May—June, 1990. An FAO/ World Bank Mission is presently in India for finalising the Project report which will be appraised by a World Bank Project Appraisal Mission in June, 1991.

Loans for purchasing ready Built Houses from State Housing Boards

1208. SHRI JAGADISH JANI: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Central Government employees can get loans to by ready built houses from any State Housing Board;

(b) if not, the State Housing Boards from which ready built houses cannot be purchaseed by Central Government Employees with Government loan; and

(c) the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI DAULAT RAM SARAN): (a) to (c) Yes, Sir. House Building Advance is admissible for the purchase of ready-built houses by the State Housing Boards or others on cash down basis but not on hire-purchase basis. In respect of flats under Self-financing schemes of the State Housing Boards, the grant of house building advance is conditional upon the Housing Boards' accepting certain standard terms and conditions.

Improvement in Railway Catering

1209. SHRI JAGADISH JANI: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have recently taken some steps to improve railway catering;

(b) if so, what specific steps have been taken in South Eastern Railway;

(c) whether the catering services available in the trains running between New Delhi and Puri are far from satisfactory; and

(d) if so, the steps taken to improve the catering services in those trains?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI BHAKTA CHARAN DAS): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Steps taken include provision of modern kitchen appliances, eliminating use of charcoal by use of LPG, training of staff, revision of menu, intensive inspections, etc.

(c) and (d) Catering services by these trains are considered satisfactory. However, steps mentioned in part (b) have been taken to improve the service further.

Scheme for Rural People in ITDC Hotels

1210. SHRI PARVATHANENI UPENDRA: Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have assessed the reaction of the rural people and the experience of the ITDC staff to the scheme launched by ITDC to attract rural people to visit five star hotels and resturants; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM (SHRIMATI USHA SINGH): (a) and (b) The scheme offering meals on concessional rates to rural gests in ITDC hotels has only been lauched recently on 25-1-91. Consequently, ITDC has not yet made an assessment of the reaction/response of the rural people and ITDC hotel staff to this scheme.

Master Plan for Delhi—2001

1211. SHRI PARVATHANENI UPENDRA: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the new Master Plan for Delhi—2001 has been prepared in gross violation of the DDA Act;

(b) whether the new plan has been notified without inviting public objections and suggestions, as per Section 11A (3) of the DDA Act of 1957; and